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Honorable James H. Welsh Commissioner of Conservation State of Louisiana Post Office Box 94275 Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-9275

RE: HEARING APPLICATION

Substitute Unit Well at Exceptional Location

PRICE SUB

CSC Energy Corp. - Armstrong, et al No. 2 Well

Ruston Field

Lincoln Parish, Louisiana

Our File No. 230500.0053

Dear Sir:

On behalf of CSC ENERGY CORP., application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Price Sand, in the Ruston Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana:

- 1. To permit the applicant to drill, designate and utilize the CSC Energy Corp. Armstong, et al No. 2 Well, Hunt Petroleum Corporation Goodpine F No. D-58 Well, at the location shown on the plat attached hereto, in exception to the provisions of Order No. 164-H-1, effective May 1, 1960, as a substitute unit well for PRICE SUB.
- 2. To explicitly find that the abovesaid well is in the interest of conservation and is necessary to drain a portion of the Price Sand, underlying PRICE SUB, in the Ruston Field, which cannot be efficiently and economically drained by any existing well in such unit.
- 3. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

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The Price Sand, in the Ruston Field, Lincoln Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 164-H, effective September 1, 1959.

The Rules of Procedure of the Commissioner of Conservation pertaining to the Pre-Application Notice requirements, are not applicable to the hearing requested herein, which requires legal notice of only ten (10) days.

Pertinent data regarding this application will be available for inspection at the offices of CSC Energy Corp., 416 Travis Street, Suite 1401, Shreveport, Louisiana 71101. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call Mr. Joel Chevalier at (318) 221-5625, during normal business hours, or write Mr. Chevalier at the above address in order to arrange a time and date for such inspection. Copies of such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plat, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

A check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list.

Very truly yours,

BLANCHARD, WALKER, O'QUIN & ROBERTS

Wm. Timothy Allen II

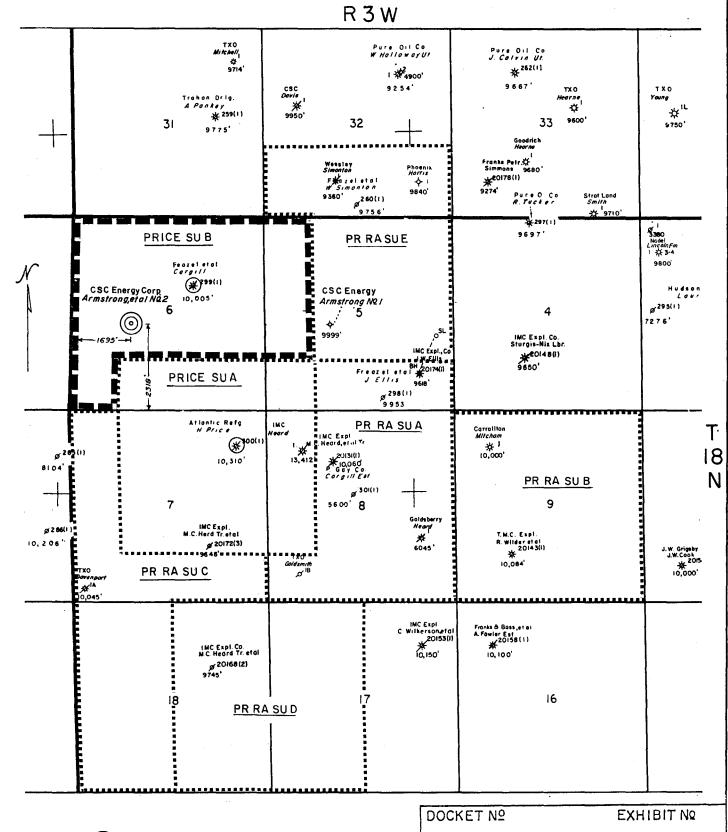
Attorneys for CSC Energy Corp.

WTAIII:bp Enclosures

cc: Mr. James C. Broussard, District Manager

Office of Conservation, Shreveport, La. (w/enclosures)

cc: Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (w/copy of plat only)



PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELL PRICE SUB ---- EXISTING PRICE UNITS

EXISTING PRICE UNIT WELLS

CSC ENERGY CORP.

PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE UNIT WELL AT EXCEPTIONAL LOCATION PRICE SUB

RUSTON FIELD LINCOLN PARISH, LA.

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